

THE WEATHER

GOVERNMENT WEATHER FORECAST  
Today and Sunday - More snow; little  
change in temperature.  
Sun rises Sunday 7:47. Sets 5:50. Light  
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Edmonton Temperatures Friday - Maxi-  
mum, 28 above; Minimum, 15 above.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATES WILSON DAY SET FOR MARCH 21

Auxiliary Cruiser Altmak Is Run Down And Captured: Britons Found Under Hatches

By SIDNEY J. WILLIAMS  
British United Press Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin.  
LONDON, Feb. 17.-The British admiralty announced today that British destroyers—deliberately entering neutral waters—drove the German naval auxiliary ship Altmak ashore on the Norwegian coast, killed four of its crew and wounded five and rescued between 300 and 400 British merchant seamen whom they found battered down under its decks.

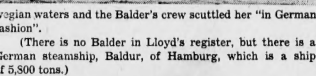
Norway Protests Rescue

British United Press Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin.  
OSLO, Feb. 17.-Norway protested to Great Britain against a dramatic rescue of the German steamship Altmak in its territorial waters as reports were received that five Germans were killed in a fight between the Altmak and British warships off the Norwegian coast.

News of the audacious naval action was disclosed in an Admiralty communique which said the British warships acted upon Admiralty orders to enter Norwegian waters and rescue the prisoners.

As part of the engagement the British destroyer Ivanhoe ordered the German tanker Balder to halt outside Norwegian waters and the Balder's crew scuttled her "in German fashion".

(There is no Balder in Lloyd's register, but there is a German steamer, Balder, of Hamburg, which is a ship of 5,500 tons.)



PRISON SHIP ALTMARK

Prisoners Include 55 Officers  
It is understood that British prisoners rescued included 55 merchant officers and 220 merchant seamen, of whom 56 are East Indians.

Prisoners were sent at full speed to Scotland in the destroyer Cossack, under escort of other warships.

The Admiralty communique said one of the British destroyers, the Cossack, chased the Altmak through the three miles of Norwegian territorial waters until it ran aground.

Men of the Cossack went ashore and in a hand-to-hand fight killed four of the Altmak's crew and wounded five. One British man was wounded.

Part of the Altmak's crew fled inland. The remainder, the Admiralty said, "submitted".

The British prisoners were taken on, and the Cossack proceeded to sea.

By P. A. STALKER  
British United Press Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin.  
LEITH, Scotland, Feb. 17.-The British destroyer Cossack, carrying 300 to 400 British prisoners of war rescued in a naval engagement off Norway from the German auxiliary ship Altmak, arrived here at 2:40 p.m. (3:40 a.m. C.S.T.) today.

Huge throngs and columns of ambulances, their motors running and their engines idling, awaited the rescued seamen to come ashore.

It was believed that the Cossack carried at least 311 British seamen from the freighter Altmak, Newlyn Beach, Huntsman, Trevelyan, Don Star and Tairou, all built in the German pocket battleship Altmak.

The seamen, it was understood, were transferred to the Altmak from the Graf Spee before the Cossack's arrival.

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German Anger Seethes

British United Press Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin.  
BERLIN, Feb. 17.-An authorized German source declared today that henceforth German submarines would conduct unrestricted warfare against British and French ships.

The statement, made amid great German anger over the British seizure of the German prison ship Altmak, meant that in future German U-boats would torpedo any British or French ship—passenger or freighter—on sight without warning.

This source explained also that unrestricted U-boat warfare would be the result of the statement by British First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill that in future all Allied ships would be armed.

By JOSEPH W. GRIGG, Jr.  
British United Press Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin.  
BERLIN, Feb. 17.-German anger protested to the world and in the streets today against the "rape of the German

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FINLAND MAY MAKE DIRECT ALLIED PLEA

Refusal of Scandinavian Aid Forces New Alignments  
PARIS, Feb. 17.-Military sources said today France has opened her stocks of war material, both old and modern, to the Finnish Light Buss, Planes, anti-tank guns, heavy artillery, automatic weapons and large quantities of other munitions have arrived in Finland, these sources said.

By E. W. REATTE  
British United Press Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin.  
HELSINKI, Feb. 17.-The Finnish newspaper Social-Demokratia said today that Finland may make a direct appeal to the Scandinavian countries come to its aid.

The warning was taken as an indication that an appeal for direct aid might be made to Great Britain and France.

But so imperative was Finland's need for arms that the statement was taken to mean that in an extremely Finland might even offer Germany vast concessions if it compelled Russia to let it pass.

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Military Agreement In Now Mooted

British United Press  
COPENHAGEN, Feb. 17.-An unconfirmed report reached Stockholm today that a military aid agreement between Finland and the Allies was imminent.

The report was published by the Stockholm newspaper, Folkets Dagblad in a dispatch from Helsinki.

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New Zealand's Third Division Near Completion

WELLINGTON, Feb. 17.-New Zealand's second contingent of 12,000 men, which is being trained in New Zealand, will be complete in a day or two.

Prime Minister Michael Savage said today in a speech inaugurating a series of reviews of the Dominion's war effort.

"In addition to the good record of recruitment," he said, "there has been a splendid response of young men volunteering for service in the army and air force and a large number of returned soldiers are volunteering for the Dominion coastal defence."

Countess Of Athlone Sees Canuck Ambulances



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Nomination Day Preceding Election Set For March 11

General election in Alberta will be held on Thursday, March 21, Premier William Aberhart announced on the floor of the legislature Friday night. Rising in his place, the premier informed the house that His Honor Lieut.-Gov. J. C. Bowen had signed an order dissolving the legislature and that the election would take place March 21. Nomination day is Monday, March 11.

The announcement was made in the most dramatic circumstances. Galleries were crowded. The house sat throughout the afternoon and at 6 p.m. adjourned until 8 p.m. The session program had been completed by 6 o'clock, but when the members met at eight they knew that the house would sit up within a few minutes.

There was a hush over the house as the main door of the assembly was flung open and Sergeant-at-Arms H. S. Newby cried out, "Make way for His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor."

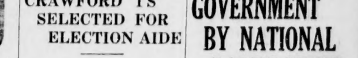
His Honor entered, accompanied by his secretary, Capt. C. V. Dore, Premier William Aberhart and H. A. Andison, clerk of the legislative assembly, met His Honor at the door and escorted him to the Speaker's Throne.

ASSENTS TO BILLS  
Briefly His Honor gave assent to the 25 bills that had been passed during the session and then he made his brief address, thanking the members for attention to the session and then he announced the session was "prorogued."

He then left the chamber. With him went Premier Aberhart. The house waited for the premier's return. A few jokes were thrown across the floor and all was quiet.

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Is Praised For Fairness



PETER DAWSON  
Speaker of the eighth Alberta Legislature, Peter Dawson, was praised by His Honor Lieut.-Gov. J. C. Bowen. Mr. Speaker's reputation for fairness and impartiality has been lauded on all sides.

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CRAWFORD IS SELECTED FOR ELECTION AIDE

Well known in public and business circles and a former member of the legislature, H. H. Crawford will be appointed returning officer for the Edmonton constituency in the provincial general election of Thursday, March 21, it was learned in reliable circles Saturday. His appointment is expected to be officially announced in the near future.

Mr. Crawford has had widespread experience as a returning officer, having filled this office in both provincial and dominion election campaigns.

As soon as his appointment is announced it is expected he will commence enumeration.

Province Debt Is Cut by \$7,627,229 Aberhart Declares

Decrease in the net funded debt of Alberta since the present government took office until Dec. 31st, totaled \$7,627,229, according to information disclosed by Premier William Aberhart and Hon. Solon E. Low, provincial treasurer, in an address Friday evening. They were assisted by Hon. Lucien Maynard, K.C., minister of financial affairs.

Reference to the reduction was made as a result of the recent budget speech by the premier, delivered by E. L. Gray, provincial Liberal leader, and the wide circulation of his speech received in some quarters.

Amount of the reduction mentioned by Mr. Low in his budget speech and his statement was substantiated before the legislative public accounts committee Friday by both C. M. Lang, acting provincial auditor, and J. P. Percival, deputy provincial treasurer.

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Convention July 15

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 17.-The 1940 Democratic national convention will meet in Chicago beginning Monday, July 15.

STOP! LOOK! BULLETIN WANT ADS

- Lost-wire haired terrier.....
- Painter, decorative wall, etc.....
- Postcard mail boxes, set.....
- Willis piano, solid, trade.....
- 3-room duplex, garage.....
- Jasper Ave., 3-room suite.....
- Decorative, home, etc.....
- Wanted-mail house, rent.....
- 115 St., comfortable room.....
- 30 monthly, lady share cottage.....
- 110 St., home, large.....
- Good farm for sale on Jasper H. Rd.....
- Swamp-contents 2 rooms.....
- 300, 6-room house.....
- Good main work of any.....
- Lost-Milk truck.....
- Lovely 2 room, refrigerator.....
- We Repair: If it can be sold a Telephone 2421
- Deaths: Reported Today  
Ardelt, Mrs. Erselene  
Legis, Mrs. Malvina  
Fitz, William  
White, Charles Edward

UPTREND SEEN IN REPORT OF SACRED BOARD

Improvement in economy of the province under operation of the provincial government's interim program is reflected in the annual report of the Social Credit Board, released Saturday by officials.

Increase of wholesale in this province shown of \$2,000,000 and retail sales are shown as \$6,500,000.

Unemployed decreased by 10,000 as against the 1938 figure.

Glen L. MacLachlan, S.C., coronator is chairman of the board and other members are Floyd M. Baker, S.C., Claver Bar, secretary; Dr. J. L. McPherson, S.C., Viceroy; Alfie J. Hooke, S.C., Red Deer.

The report states that administration of the interim program was divided into two parts, the treasury branch and the marketing board.

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MANAHAN BEATS RITCHIE 12-5 FINAL ROUND

Manahan's rink from the Royal Curling Club stepped into the lead in the first round of the finals for the Northern Alberta-Ritchie Curling championship at the Royal rink Saturday morning by defeating Ritchie's squad from the Granite club by a score of 12-5.

The Ritchie group got off to a bad start, getting two on the first end, one on the second to give them a 3-0 lead. But in the third Manahan stepped into the lead with a four end, adding another to consolidate the lead and keeping it right through to the end.

Ritchie will meet Kent in the second leg of the round robin series Saturday afternoon, the game starting at 1 p.m.

Following Saturday morning's game with Manahan..... 210 010 10-12 Ritchie..... 210 010 10-12

International

By Canadian Press  
LONDON.-The British warship resolute between 300 and 400 British seamen aboard Altmak, German prison ship in Norwegian waters.

BERLIN.-Germany protests to Oslo, claims "unacceptable violation of international law."

OSLO.-Norway protests to Great Britain on naval action, asks return of prisoners.

HELSINKI.-Women child, renounced order of Viborg (Vipuri), new reserves class called to colors.

MOSCOW.-Red army announces capture of Kimura and Lelapsova on Karelian isthmus.

PARIS.-French report large consignments of war materials sent to Finland.

Old Country Football

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ELECTION WRITS ARE MAILED BY ELECTORAL HEAD

Election writs for the provincial general election of March 21 announced Friday night by Premier Aberhart, were mailed out by registered mail Saturday morning from the office of H. A. Andison, clerk for the province.

The writs were prepared overnight over the weekend for mailing early Saturday.

Writs were mailed to each of the 49 provincial constituencies. Writs were also mailed to each of the 49 constituencies, with the text of the proclamation signed by His Honor Lieut.-Gov. J. C. Bowen dissolving the house.

Nomination day is Monday, March 11, 10 days before election day.

H. H. Crawford, dissolved Friday night by Premier Aberhart, is returning officer for this city and he will announce location of his office in the immediate future. Work of enumeration also will commence.

Appeal To Canadians To Forget Differences Is Made by Manion

Canadian Press Staff Writer  
By CARL REINKE  
BRANDON, Man., Feb. 17.-An earnest appeal to Canadians to forget differences, political and otherwise, in a united procession of the war through a national government was sounded last night by Conservative leader Manion.

"No one party, be it Liberal or Conservative, can satisfy the Canadian people by giving them the united, enthusiastic, wholehearted effort that is needed," Dr. Manion said in his first campaign broadcast from the office of H. A. Andison, clerk for the province.

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## Alberta Bank Bill Is Passed Despite Opposition Attack

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Opposed to the Duggan bill were 41 Social Credit members and four opposition members, namely, Gerald O'Connor, K.C., Liberal, Edmonton; Dr. Walter Morris, Liberal, Edmonton; W. N. Chant, Independent, Camrose; and A. L. Blum, Independent-Progressive, Bragg Creek.

Within a few minutes the house found itself called upon to vote in another division.

Mr. O'Connor moved to have the bill referred back to the committee of the whole assembly for amendment to provide for taking votes of persons serving outside this province with the various branches of His Majesty's forces in the coming general election.

Mr. Speaker Peter Dawson ruled the O'Connor amendment out of order as the bill already had been dealt with by the house in committee of the whole and had been reported, the amendment was out of order.

### CHALLENGES RULING

At this Mr. O'Connor challenged the speaker's ruling and on the vote the ruling was upheld by 41 to 11. Social Credit members were solid in support of the ruling, while opposed were four Liberals, two Conservatives, one Unity, three Independents and one Independent-Progressive.

This proved to be the last division of the session and of the eighth elected legislature.

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## Irish Portia



which all is returned on the charter being granted, save \$3,000 which is retained by the minister of finance.

Filing his shills for holding of the bill, Mr. Duggan charged that he was impelled to the one conclusion that this bill was being used and brought into the house solely for political purposes.

He recalled that in 1935 a resolution was passed by the legislature authorizing the government to borrow to obtain a charter.

The next year he contended, the government changed its policy. He submitted that trying to get a general election by this means had been a failure.

He submitted that in operating a bank the province would be in opposition to established banks and therefore, would be duplicating services. While he himself had no objection to taxation being levied on banks, he recalled that taxation of banks yielded annual revenue to the province of about \$300,000 and yet the province was proposing to spend \$500,000 in establishing a competitive system.

Directing monetary attention to the war, Mr. Duggan said that every dollar saved would mean a contribution of that amount to the successful conduct of the war.

Opposition was expressed by Mr. Duggan at the results achieved by the Bank of Canada and he declared that it had not proved a more useful instrument for the people of Canada. So far as the western provinces are concerned, they would be just as well off if the bank had never been formed.

That the provincial government had not sufficiently studied the bank plan, was the contention of John J. Bowen, Liberal, Calgary. He charged that the plan was being used solely for a catch phrase or for political propaganda.

He objected to that statement; he would withdraw it, he contended Mr. Bowen said.

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## House Dissolved: Voting March 21 Premier Reports

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Though light-headedness prevailed there appeared to be an anxious, expectant atmosphere and many seemed to be waiting for a word from the premier. In a few moments the premier returned to the legislature and took his seat. Then came a light-hearted moment when R. A. Audish, clerk of the legislature, was the recipient of a handsome check as a tribute from the members.

Just as Mr. Speaker Peter Dawson was about to rise for the day, the premier rose and made his announcements.

"It may be of interest to the house to know that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has signed an order for the dissolution of this legislature and the elections will be on March 21."

There was cheering, desk-thumping and general commotion. Then he quieted down and Mr. Speaker left the chamber.

Members then mingled with guests and many said farewell, as it was their last appearance in the chamber.

The session was over and a new election campaign was in motion.

**PRECEDENT SET**  
Announcement of the election date on the floor of the legislature marked the first occasion on which it had been done in the history of this province.

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In declaring the assembly prorogued I pray that under Divine Providence our province will make ever-increasing progress in the attainment of general prosperity and happiness.

As provincial secretary, Hon. E. C. Manning then said: "It is the wish of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor that this house be prorogued and therefore it is so."

His Honor then left the assembly with Premier Aberhart, Mr. Audish and Capt. Dacre.

**PREMIER IN CALGARY**  
Social Credit members went into caucus and later Premier Aberhart left for Calgary, where he will spend the work week, addressing the Protestant Bible Institute and returning here Monday. Early next week he is expected to make an announcement regarding a speaking tour.

Legislation authorizing establishment of a provincial bank, validating the soldiers' debt moratorium charged by the Dominion Government, and the Social Credit Board were the major items on the agenda. Premier Aberhart, Governor J. C. Bowen adjourned the session.

An amendment to the Social Credit Realization Act provides for appointment of the board by the cabinet, thus enabling the board to carry on following dissolution of the legislature. Previously the board members held office as members of the legislature.

The 35 acts given assent all of which passed third reading at the afternoon session included bills which:

Continued for another year the 1935 act increasing taxation on corporations by 50 per cent.

Provided for establishment of cancer clinics and treatment of persons of limited means.

Continued for another year the 1928 act imposing \$100,000 taxation on banks.

**JUDICATURE ACT**  
Amended the Judicature Act to prevent a creditor realising on the personal order in a mortgage even though he obtained an order nisi before the 1939 amendment controlling the personal covenant clause in agreements for sale on land or on mortgages on land.

Repealed the Treasury branch service to provide making of loans and financing for customers the purchase of Alberta-made goods on the installment plan.

Authorized provincial government guarantees to Building Associations toward solving the housing problem.

Authorized expropriation of land for the proposed village of Waterbury.

Consolidated the Mella Population Settlements Act in a centralized half-dozen on settlements.

Amended the Income Tax Act to allow exemptions for contributions to the Red Cross, religious and charitable organizations.

Minor acts given assent amended:

## GERMANS CLAIM HEAVY TOLL OF BRITISH TANKERS

BERLIN, Feb. 17.—German spokesmen claimed last night that from the beginning of the war to Feb. 16, Germany has sunk 27 Allied oil tankers with a total tonnage of 121,268.

According to German figures the rate of sinkings of British oil tankers has increased 112.8 per cent since the beginning of the year.

Two French ships aggregating 22,378 tons, also are included in the total of 121,268.

**Westerner Named Governor of CBC**  
OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—Rev. James Sutherland Thomson of Saskatoon, president of the Dominion Council of Churches, has been appointed a governor of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, it was announced yesterday. Mr. Thomson's appointment date back to Jan. 1, 1939, and he will serve until Nov. 1, 1942.

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## GOVERNMENT BY NATIONAL PARTY URGED

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It would not, he made clear, be an instrument for introducing competition or railway amalgamation as his opponents were suggesting.

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### ATTACKS GOVERNMENT

The Conservative leader attacked the record of the present government, insisting that it was the only issue in this election. National unity was not the issue, Prime Minister Mackenzie King contended; every decent, loyal Canadian wanted to maintain unity.

The issue was the government's failure to fulfill its duty, either in war or peace. But especially his failure was effort marked by patronage, profligate and extravagance.

Dr. Macdonald criticized the Prime Minister for his "policy of appeasement" in dissolving parliament just after it had been assembled, rather than face the representatives of the people. He thus denied them opportunity to express themselves, get information of the government's conduct or carry out any investigation of the charges he laid against the government's war leadership.

### ANOTHER ISSUE

Parliament was the chief protection of the people against autocratic government, and now Mr. King had "by his dissolving of parliament, made our whole free parliamentary system still another issue in this election," he said.

"If Mr. King is permitted to close parliament today to suit his political purposes, then tomorrow, he or someone else may close parliament for another purpose such as destroying the right of a minority—or imposing further autocratic measures—or suppressing parliament altogether."

"Had the session been permitted to continue, parliament would have discussed the \$100,000,000 defence expenditures of the last four years which the country 'practically defecated'."

It would have discussed war contracts, let to friends of the government. It would have discussed, as an illustration, the purchase for \$10,000 of a Vancouver property worth half that, to be used as an officers' mess, which could have been built for \$10,000, Dr. Macdonald said.

### CHARGES LAXNESS

The government had further proved its incompetence in its failure to look after soldiers' dependents promptly. Some had gone four months or more before getting their money.

## Too Pretty



Because she was kept a prisoner in her home by a jealous husband who did not want other men to look at her, Mrs. Lois Wagner, 22, was granted a divorce on grounds of cruelty by Chicago judges.

almost forget to appreciate its main advantages we have personal liberty in all these matters. We may speak freely, if we do not talk treason—we may worship as we like—and in war, of the King government, of any kind, provided we do not become lawless and finally, and most important, who has all the life booted of his respect for parliamentary supremacy.

"He then proceeded to explain something of what parliament means to us."

**HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS**

"In the House of Commons, and also in the Senate, it is our privilege to ask questions of the government, either verbally or on the order paper, which questions the Ministers, generally speaking, must answer. We may ask for returns containing any contracts or agreements—any matter of public interest—of the house to investigate fully all the business of government. Indeed, every government activity, whether in regard to spending the money of the people, which is collected in taxes, or in regard to our relations with other nations, or with provinces or municipalities, or individuals—all these are open to our fully and complete investigation."

"To sum up according to our constitution, the representatives of the people in the senate or the House of Commons have every right and authority to examine into any aspect of public business or public policy. And it is to the House of Commons that the government of the day makes its annual report of all its activities, and from the House it obtains the money for carrying on the business of the nation."

"While those monies are being passed by the House of Commons, it is the privilege of the members of parliament to go into every detail of past or proposed expenditure."

**CLAINED UNSPORTSMANLIKE**

"What Mr. King did was to dismiss the representatives of the people before they had an opportunity to express themselves in any manner."

"It was doubly unfair because unexpected. He was discourteous to the members of the other parties in the House."

"A further unsportsmanlike act was that he prevented the members of the opposition from carefully prepared speech in the House attempting to justify his act, apparently in the full expectation that no one else would be prepared to utter a word."

"The dissolution of parliament was really an act of autocracy, unworthy of Mr. King, who has all the life booted of his respect for parliamentary supremacy."

"In brief, he knew full well that once parliament is dissolved there is no return in which any of us can obtain complete information on any government activity."

"This was all done in the face of Conservative attempts to co-operate and was made unfair by the flood of propaganda issuing, by radio, statement and press release, explaining Canada's activities in the war but at least half political propaganda."

**"SESSION PROMISED"**

Dr. Macdonald continued: "Mr. King claims that, in appealing to the people, he is acting more democratically than in permitting the session to continue. Of course everyone admits that the ultimate appeal is always to the people. Yet that does not mean that the session had been promised by him, had been called and should have been permitted to pursue its usual course—an appeal to the people would have been in order."

Government supporters in the "Mackenzie King Press" and others would claim that this appeal to the people was fair, failing to admit that while an election is being held no information can be obtained or proper investigation started into charges of patronage and extravagance.

Dr. Macdonald cited some matters which, he said, would have been discussed in the House and possibly investigated by committee if it had been permitted to continue.

**PEOPLE'S PROTECTION**

"Therefore, it should be clear that according to our democratic constitution, parliament is the chief protection of the people against autocratic government or against dictatorship of any kind."

The Conservative leader related how his party had taken a position of "full co-operation with the government" during and after the short war session in September, how he had refrained from political activity from then until the recent three-hour session, and how the Prime Minister had not called in for consultation the leaders of the other parties.

He recalled how Mr. Mackenzie King had informed the members of his party by himself, that there would not be an election before another session of parliament by summoning parliament to meet in session just three hours after it began. He in reality broke his pledge.

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He went on: "Before closing, I wish to say that it was because of the failure of the King government, in peace and in war, to measure up to its duties, that my conviction became a fixed one that only through national government could we do that service to our country, to our empire, and to civilization, which is demanded of us, now that we are in this war beside Britain and France. No one party, be it Liberal or Conservative, can satisfy the Canadian people by giving them the rule of a few unscrupulous, whole-hearted officers that is needed."

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**French Admiral Commands Convoy Of Canuck Army**

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The extent to which the British and French navies are co-operating was underlined when Admiral Sir John Dill, who revealed the powerful fleet which escorted the second contingent of the Canadian Active Service Force across the Atlantic was under the command of a French Admiral.

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**French Admiral Commands Convoy Of Canuck Army**

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The extent to which the British and French navies are co-operating was underlined when Admiral Sir John Dill, who revealed the powerful fleet which escorted the second contingent of the Canadian Active Service Force across the Atlantic was under the command of a French Admiral.

Two French warships helped form the convoy which brought the Canadians across the ocean Christmas week.

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The premier, continuing, declared that "the henchmen of the money powers know that if the people in a democratic country are allowed to unite in a common cause, there is no power—not even the money power—that is big enough to prevent them from delivering themselves from an unnecessary economic slavery."

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**GIVES WARNING**

"Those who are tempted to waver from the course of the true cause should be warned emphatically that if they are hoodwinked by anti-democratic propaganda they will see the excellent start they have made in the direction of freedom and the honor of being the world's only common citizen down in London, England."

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fort for which they have sacrificed so much will come to naught. The issue, therefore, resolves itself to this: Will our people see through the subtle efforts that will be made to divide them or will they refuse to be led astray—down a blind alley?"

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# Egypt Potential Springboard For Allies In Bakans

Reynolds, packager of the United Press Bureau at Rome, has covered wars and threats of wars in dozens of distant news centres in the last decade. His assignments have taken him to South America, France, China, Czechoslovakia, and he has reported the struggle for survival by that post-war republic with a brilliant record for speed and accuracy. Now Reynolds is on the move again, from Egypt—EDITOR.

By REYNOLDS PACKARD

British United Press. Exclusive Cable to The Edmonton Bulletin. CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 17.—A network of new military roads is being built throughout the North African desert, and Egypt today is a potential springboard for Allied action if Europe's war spread to the Balkans or the Near East.

## TWEEDSMUR WRITES NOVEL ON DOMINION

The strategic importance and the thoroughness of Egyptian military preparations was revealed in this correspondence on a tour through one of the great centres of activity in the eastern Mediterranean area. Throughout the Egyptian desert British and Egyptian forces are building a network of roads in speed military transport.

Everywhere from Suez to the desert coast, the British and Egyptian forces are concentrated—and in some places entrenched—and are being trained for the battle of the future. The arrival this week of Australian reinforcements and the arrival of British troops served to strengthen the Allied military establishments in this area which is adjacent to the Near East fields.

**FUNNEL FOR WAR**  
Once a tourist paradise, Egypt is now being used as a funnel for British forces, including those from the East, en route to the battlefields "somewhere in the war zone." The first contingent of New Zealanders arrived on Monday and are encamped on the Egyptian desert in order to become acclimated to the change in weather rather than being suddenly dispatched to the extreme cold of this winter in Europe.

The writer was permitted to attend manoeuvres, reviews and official inspections in the last two weeks and everywhere saw impressive evidence of the close collaboration of the British, French and Egyptian high commands. Recently there have been no more conversations with the British command-in-chief of Egyptian forces, Gen. Sir Alexander Cunningham, commander-in-chief of the British Mediterranean fleet, and a number of high French, British and Egyptian army officers.

**ON EGYPTIAN SOIL**  
These conversations were understood to have confirmed that Egyptian soldiers will be used only in the Egyptian desert and will not be sent to the western front or for duty in any other front outside of Egypt, which lies adjacent to the strategically important Italian area of Libya. As far as could be determined, the Allied high commands plan to use only French, British, Dominion and Senegalese forces for military operations in the eastern Mediterranean and the Near East. Egyptian and Palestine forces will be stationed at home bases, at least for the present, and will concentrate especially on anti-aircraft, frontier, and coastal defenses and on patrol work in the eastern desert.

**CONTRABAND CONTROL**  
The British command control is extremely active around Suez and the Red Sea. Inspection authorities are stationed at Aden, Suez, Alexandria and Haifa. The British say they are assured that nothing passes those points that could possibly aid the Nazi war machine. All official German agencies, including tourist, newspaper and commercial offices, are closed now. In the hands of neo-Germans, more than 100 Germans, including prominent bankers and business men, have been placed in concentration camps. The official status of Egypt is neutral.

**Opening Day for "Gone With the Wind"**  
Fast Approaching  
With millions of readers anticipating the already huge array of film-powers now clamoring at the doors of the movie theatres these days, a new policy of advertisement was recently devised by theatre men for the opening of the epic technique picture "GONE WITH THE WIND," which starts the engagement at Edmonton's Capitol Theatre on Friday next with a gala premiere opening at a crack in the evening.  
The cause of all the furor is none other than the first production of Margaret Mitchell's novel, which has been made into a picture by Victor Fleming, which will be given daily at 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. For the evening performance each day all seats are reserved but the morning and afternoon performances will be continuous.  
The special Box Office for advance sale tickets and movie orders have been installed in the lobby of the theatre especially for this engagement and are open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Manager Wilson advises all those intending to see the evening performance to make their reservations early either by phoning 2481 or 2482 or calling personally at the theatre.

# Curtain Rises On New War Theatre



Marian stagehands are nervously jerking the curtain shielding this possible theater of war as allies continue to mass troops in Syria and Egypt against German or Russian invasion of Iraq, Iraq or India. Map shows where belligerent forces might strike in the Near East. Aside from Khaybar Pass and the Suez Canal—gateways to the Far East—all vital objectives are outcropping centers.

## Fruit Combine Trial Will Be Moved To Coast

**Edmonton Woman's Sister Is Buried In Seattle Friday**  
VANCOUVER, Feb. 17.—Trial of eight companies and four individuals charged with taking part in an illegal combine in the marketing of British Columbia fruit was transferred yesterday from Vernon to Vancouver, where it will open Tuesday.

Relative including a brother, E. G. Woodward, Centralia, Wash., and sister, Mrs. Eva Taylor, Vancouver, B.C., Mrs. Mary Graydon, Edmonton, Alta., Mrs. Mary Young, Calgary, Alta., and Olive and Cecile Woodward, Regina, Sask.

**British Steamer Is Torpedoed By U-Boat Wednesday**  
DUBLIN, Feb. 17.—The sinking of the 4,622-ton British freighter *Lancaster* by a German submarine Wednesday in the Atlantic was described by the British navy as the most serious loss of a merchant ship since the outbreak of the war.

One crewman was killed when a torpedo hit the ship two days in the Atlantic and a second boat carrying the captain and 14 other crewmen was missing.

The *Lancaster* was en route to England from Boston. It was carrying a "state of siege" under which relations with Germany have been broken without an actual declaration of war.

Both British and Egyptian desert camps are regarded here as the most modern in the world. In addition to the newly constructed military roads, the balloon-towed transport trucks and the balloon-towed tanks which are capable of 40 miles an hour over the sand dunes. These will replace the camel corps of the desert. The war, which will be limited largely to police work.

Desert camouflage has been developed so that units of infantry and artillery become indistinguishable at a comparatively short distance. They merge evenly into the desert sands as a result of brown-colored uniforms and uniforms as well as guns with special barrels on which the sun cannot glint.

British sources say that the Allies are not worried about this part of the world—though huge forces can be moved instantly to any danger point.

In northern Europe, men with base voices are five times as numerous as those with tenor voices, but among women, there are five times more soprano than alto voices.

**"Of Mice and Men" Opens Today at Rialto Theatre**  
The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has selected "OF MICE AND MEN" as one of the ten outstanding pictures of the year. From among the following will be chosen the greatest production of the year: "Dark Victory," "Gone With the Wind," "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," "Love Affair," "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," "Ninotchka," "Of Mice and Men," "Stagecoach," "Wizard of Oz" and "Wuthering Heights."

"OF MICE AND MEN" was adapted from the famous novel by John Steinbeck, and critics have lauded this powerful and gripping drama. The cast was selected to fit the various roles, and the direction by Lewis Milestone is top.

It is a picture that you must see.

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"KONGA" and  
"Andy Hardy Gets Spring Fever"

# Accurate Forecast on Probable Wheat Prices Next to Impossible

By CARL REINKE  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
WINNIPEG, Feb. 17.—A crystal ball is apparently as useful today in predicting wheat prices as any ordinary peacetime formula.

There are so many pieces added to the puzzle now under war conditions that even the best informed experts hesitate like a weatherman to forecast more than 18 hours ahead.

Added to the innumerable uncertainties of nature are new incalculable factors like the future success of U-boats, flexible political motives in wheat buying, possible vicissitudes of the war area and international factors of the war itself.

**OLD PRICES UNLIKELY**  
The one thing the experts are agreed on is that wheat prices stand only the slimmest chance of reaching the \$2.50-\$3 levels of the last war. There is a degree of surprise that the price is not higher than it is, at 88 cents, but there is little concern that it will be substantially higher within the next year and a half.

There are plenty of plain, common wheat samples ranging up to \$1.30 or even \$1.50 a bushel within a few months, but they are invariably qualified with a series of "buts."

## Prominent West Theatreman Dies

MOOSE JAW, Sask., Feb. 17.—Harry O. Marks, 57, well known figure in western Canada theatrical circles for the last 25 years and manager of the Orpheum Theatre here, died suddenly in a hotel room yesterday.

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"CONFESSIONS OF A NAZI SPY"  
Added - selected shorts  
TODAY, MON., TUE., WEDNESDAY  
Diana Dors in  
"First Love" and  
"The Missing Guest"

**BARBARA STANWYCK  
FRED MacMURRAY**  
in  
**"REMEMBER THE NIGHT"**  
with BEULAH BONDI  
"BLAMED FOR A BLONDE" (Comedy)  
"MEN OF MUSCLE" (Sports)—Laird Fox News  
Today, Mon. and Tues.  
"I Stole a Million"  
"For Love or Money"















## No Profit For Forgers In Worthless Cheques: Law Gets Them Finally

By J. HARPER PROWSE

Lack of imagination leads to the downfall of most forgers and rubber cheque artists, according to Det. Hugh Allen, who looks after that kind of crime for the Edmonton city police.



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Feb. 17th to 25th

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON  
Feb. 18th—12 Noon  
AT WHITE MOUNTAIN  
Skiing Championships  
TUESDAY NIGHT  
Feb. 20th—8:15 p.m.  
AT CONNOR'S HILL  
Jumping under Floodlights  
Fireworks Display

## I Saw Today



**DORIS MCWHIRTER**  
exchanging greetings with a friend in the vicinity of the University campus.

**Jessie Smart and Belle Arkaniat** entering the legislative building. Mrs. Smart is wearing a hat and coat, and Mrs. Arkaniat is wearing a hat and coat.

**NEEDED LESS THAN GRANT**  
It was reported that in the two previous years the board had required \$20,000 and \$40,000 respectively, of the \$50,000 city contribution.

**THE TOWN**  
Postponed meeting of the city council will be held Monday at 8 p.m. in the council chamber, Civic block.

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## \$520,476 IS ESTIMATE FOR HOSPITAL COST

Board Seeks \$96,000 City Grant—Mayor Says It May Be Cut

Budget providing for estimated expenditures of \$520,476 and revenue of \$44,000 for the Royal Alexandra and Isolation hospitals was adopted Friday by the Edmonton Hospital board, which also requested a \$96,000 grant from the city to be applied to the expected deficit.

Mayor John W. Fry, board member, wanted that a number of extraordinary expenditures be made the city administration, and as a result the grant might have to be reduced. He pointed out that the hospital board had required last year a \$100,000 grant in 1938 and 1939 city commissioners might request a grant higher than necessary.

**NEEDED LESS THAN GRANT**  
It was reported that in the two previous years the board had required \$20,000 and \$40,000 respectively, of the \$50,000 city contribution.

The financial report also showed a surplus of \$7,500 for the Royal Alexandra hospital, but the Isolation hospital reported a deficit of \$2,610.

Dr. A. F. Anderson, hospital superintendent, pointed out that the operating expenses during the coming year would undoubtedly be higher than during the past year, due to the increased cost of food and the necessity of keeping the hospital in first class operating condition, which would require a certain amount of special expenditure.

**Who's Who**  
Arriving out of charges made by R. L. Gray, provincial Liberal leader, on the floor of the legislature on February 10, 1940, was the manager of Edmonton Co-operative Farm Supply Ltd., on Friday filed a claim for \$10,000 damages at the Edmonton court house in a suit against the Alberta Broadcasting company and Colgate Disinfectant Ltd.

**FIRST SURPLUS REPORTED FOR CITY HOSPITAL**  
For the first time in the history of the Royal Alexandra hospital the operating account for January resulted in a surplus.

Royal Alexandra hospital showed a surplus of \$7,500, with it was reported.

This favorable result, it was stated, was due to the hospital's collection campaign last fall.

For the month, total revenue was \$49,222, of which \$4,000 were receipts accepted for \$36,224. The hospital's operating account for January showed a surplus of \$7,500, with it was reported.

**\$10,850 PROFIT 1940 ESTIMATE BY FAIR BOARD**  
Edmonton Exhibition Association directors on Friday approved the 1940 budget, estimating a surplus for the coming year's operations of \$10,850.

Estimated revenue for the year 1940, with expenditures \$94,675, probable deficits from the winter poultry show, 1939 fall fair and 1940 show are \$8,825.

Practically all items in the 1940 budget are on a level with the actual expenditures and revenues of 1939.

Estimated expenditures for 1940 activities of the fair board at \$48,000 as compared with \$45,440 actually spent in 1939. Here, the estimated budget of costs is \$120,476 against \$109,627 spent last year.

**Estimated revenue in 1939 and for the year 1940**  
Estimated revenue in 1939 was \$49,222. Budgetary administration costs are \$17,000. Estimated revenue for 1940 is \$49,222.

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## Inquiring Cameraman Clerk Robert Andison

### Honored by Assembly: Presented With Clock

Robert A. Andison, for 25 years an official of the Alberta legislature and for two decades clerk of the house, was honored Friday evening by members of the house between the time the formal prorogation and dissolution took place.

In tribute to his unselfish devotion to duty and for his long and unflinching career, Mr. Speaker, Fred Dawson, on behalf of the members, presented him with a handsome grandfather's clock.

As the house was adjourning from the Premier William Abernethy from the office of the House of Commons, Mr. Andison, who had been called back in. He was presented with the clock in the presence of several members of the legislature. Mr. Speaker then presented a clock to Mr. Andison.

**PLEASANT DEITY**  
"It is my pleasant duty," said Mr. Andison, "to be able to say that I have been able to do my duty for 25 years."

**Farmer Suing**  
FOR \$10,000 AFTER CHARGES

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Little Orphan Annie

He Who Laughs Least

—By Gray



The Gumps

Just Like a Woman

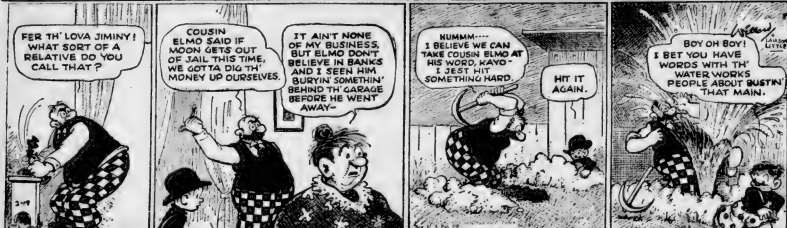
—By Edson



Moon Mullins

Strike One

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Gasoline Alley

It's Still a Good Idea

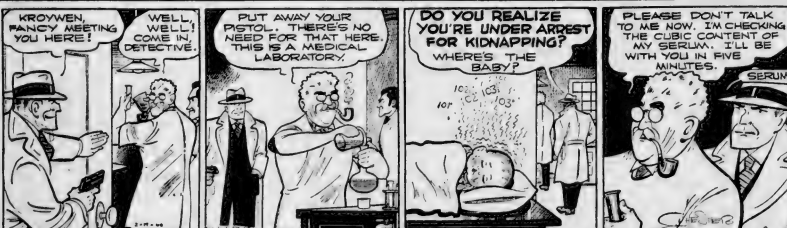
—By King



Dick Tracy

Man in White

—By Chester Gould



Boots and Her Buddies

Boxing

—By Martin



Alley Oop

Cast Iron Oop

—By Hamlin



THE CAPTAIN'S DAUGHTER

By HELEN WORDEN

CAST OF CHARACTERS  
MADAME DONOVAN, a private investigator, lives on an exclusive dress shoppe, lives on a...  
DAN DONOVAN, a playboy son of a...  
LYNDA, DONOVAN's daughter, a...  
BARTER, a...  
YESTERDAY: Background in all...  
CHAPTER XXII  
DAN DONOVAN's decision not to see Marie La Porte again...  
He formulated his plans for the day as he shaved. He would break...  
He turned to protest. It was Marie...  
She turned to protest. It was Marie...  
He turned to protest. It was Marie...

Sonny Sayings



Us kids is celebratin' Saturday by makin' some snow ice cream 'th fruit color in it.

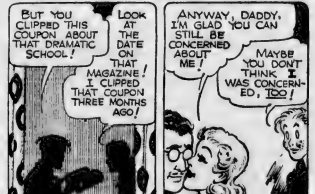
Animal Crackers



These open and shut cases are no cinch!

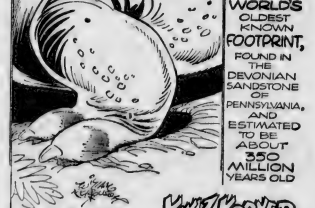
Freckles

—By Merrill Blosser



Curious World

—By William Ferguson



TERMITES  
IN THE U.S. ALONE  
DO AN ESTIMATED  
DAMAGE OF  
\$30,000,000  
ANNUALLY  
SAPWOOD  
IS HEART OF THE TREE  
WOOD NEXT TO THE BARK  
PITCHBLIND



# World-Wide News Pictures By The Edmonton Bulletin Cameramen

## Lonely Jobs on the Western Front



Perhaps the most lonely job on the western front, is that of the Royal Artillery Battery telephonist, right, who sits alone with the improvised instrument stand and advises the battery, in technical parlance, on how near or far it is coming to its target. The French soldier, left, is another of the front's lonely men. He is stationed high in a tree and cautiously scans the countryside for signs of enemy activity.

## Mother Okays New Incubators for Quads



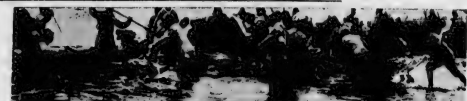
New incubator homes are tried out by Alabama's famous quadruplets, pictured above for first time with their mother, Mrs. Clyde Short. Crowds gather daily to view the babies in glass-enclosed nursery.

## Switzerland Tests Efficiency Of Its Army



Constantly on the alert against possible invasion, Switzerland's army of 500,000 men is a finely trained unit of fighting troops. Should Switzerland be invaded it will not be caught napping. Its small, but highly efficient army constantly goes through army maneuvers to keep its efficiency at the highest point. A detachment of machine-gunners is shown, top, during recent maneuvers, while gas-masked troops test their equipment, bottom, by walking through a field set with gas bombs.

## War Is Wet Work in China



Japanese troops are shown ferrying men and supplies across the Peking river outside Canton, where Chinese guerrillas made it uncomfortable for the run of the Miaofo last month. The war on China took has been going on for two and a half years and many military experts say that Japan is no nearer to subjugating the country than it was at the beginning.

## Love Rules: Wrath Gone



Doris Bowden, Tomahawk Joad in the screen "The Grapes of Wrath" comes to a happier ending than the migrant farm girl she portrayed in her movie debut. The 24-year-old actress flew east to wed normally John (with her above) whom she met when he was adapting John Steinbeck's bestseller for the films.

## Ranks of Finnish Army Swelled by Swedish Volunteers



The ranks of Finland's valiant army have been swelled by hundreds of Swedish volunteers who have crossed the Swedish-Finnish border to fight Stalin's Red armies. Crack leaders and officers of the Swedish army have volunteered for action in Finland and a ski patrol is shown, upper left, setting out on a daily patrol. Arne Burg, Swedish aquatic star and one of the world's foremost swimmers is shown, left, upper

right, with two companions as they arrived in the cantonment where they joined up as volunteers in the Finnish army. Some of the men of Sweden now with the Finnish forces are shown, lower left, drinking hot coffee while resting during a patrol. Loaded for bear is this Swedish trooper of a lumber patrol, lower right. In addition to his regular equipment he is hauling a small motor on a sled as he stalks his section of the Swedish forests.

## Self-Sufficient French Can Afford To Wait It Out



THE European war so far has been largely an economic one. And France is one big reason why the Allies are confident of winning the conflict if it continues along the same line.

You don't read stories about the French being forced to use substitute materials for textiles, rubber, and coffee, or about the possibility that the French war machine may bog down for lack of essential raw materials.

That is because France is almost self-sufficient—the only nation on the continent in such position, and because she is the path of Mediterranean and Atlantic sea lanes. (Also, of course, because the naval power of Britain these days is on her side.)

In an area smaller than Texas live 42,000,000 people, about one-third the population of the United States. Moreover, 8 per cent of her area is farmland, and it is farmed intensively. Grain, vegetables, fruit, cattle, sheep,

and hogs are raised in almost every section. Her many rivers provide irrigation and power as well as transportation.

She's rich, too, in coal and iron. And she ranks fourth in trade (first three nations, in 1938: United States, Great Britain, Germany). She exports textiles, machinery, chemicals, wine, and automobiles, imports oil, wheat (primarily for blending), raw cotton, bulk wool, and machinery.

So economically, France is in good position to withstand a siege, but her military problem is big. It's to keep the nation from being overrun from the east. The problem is fairly simple in the south because of the mountains, and in the north because of the neutral countries, which would stifle warping of attack.

That leaves the great Meuse industrial basin as the natural avenue of invasion as it has been in the past—see level showing how German armies attack the forward Paris in 1918, and the territory overrun by the

Prussians in 1870-71. The three great industrial areas lie close to the line an invader would take.

To block this avenue, the French built the Maginot line. Here a force of 600,000 could make an assault very costly even if the attacker used three or four times as many men. That's one big reason why the war so far has been an economic one.

Incidentally, military men in this country assume the British are manning the Belgium end of the French defenses, as they did during the World War, and that their air headquarters are near Louvain.

Aerial warfare in earnest might change the picture, for the industrial areas are within easy range of German bombers. And if Italy got into the war on Germany's side, the Alpine passes might see action, and France's lifelines to her African colonies, rich in men and food-stuffs, might be endangered.

The naval bases shown here are also air bases, and there are air bases at all the big cities and behind the Maginot line.





























EDMONTON, ALTA., FEBRUARY 17, 1940



Maw Green

## Little Orphan Annie — By Harold Gray

AN EDMONTON BULLETIN DAILY FEATURE

Ask the Junior Members  
of Any Family About

It's the Best Kiddie Strip  
That Money Can Buy.

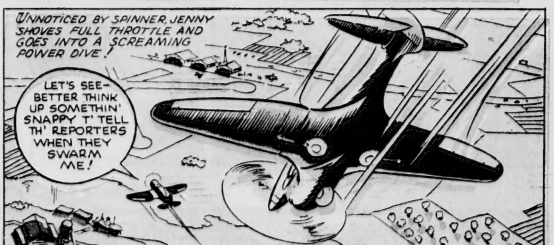
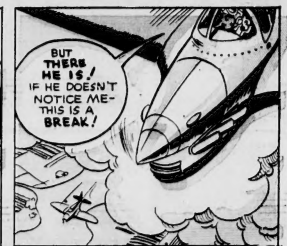
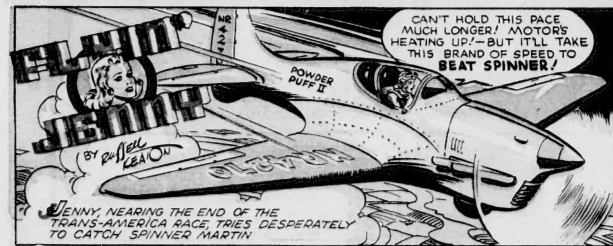
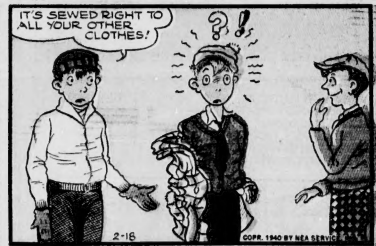
# ALBERTA'S GREATEST SATURDAY COMIC PAGES

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## OUT OUR WAY

## The Willets

By Williams





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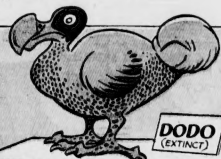
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## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

**MAYBE WE'RE WRONG**  
WHEN WE SPEAK OF THE SO-CALLED  
LOWER CREATURES AS "DUMB  
ANIMALS."

SOFT. 1MO BY NEA SERVICE, INC.

HE DIED OFF  
BECAUSE HE  
WAS SO  
DUMB!



AS A MATTER OF FACT,  
MOST CREATURES THAT  
BECAME EXTINCT IN  
MODERN TIMES DID SO  
THROUGH MAN'S STUPIDITY.



WE HAVE TO  
CRACK A NUT TO TELL IF IT'S GOOD,  
BUT THE Dullest OF SQUIRRELS CAN  
TELL WITHOUT EVEN TOUCHING IT.

BIRDS TRAVEL THE UN-  
CHARTED AIRWAYS FOR  
THOUSANDS OF MILES,  
BUT WE CAN GET  
LOST IN DAYLIGHT, A  
HALF MILE FROM HOME.

OUR "DUMB FRIENDS" CAN SENSE AN  
APPROACHING RAIN, AND SEEK SHELTER  
IN TIME! WE WAIT UNTIL THE STORM  
STRIKES.



BIRDS HAVE SUCH  
PERFECT PHYSICAL AND  
MENTAL BALANCE THAT  
THEY CAN SLEEP STAND-  
ING ON ONE FOOT.

IMAGINE  
US DOING  
IT.



THE LOWER  
ANIMALS STOP  
EATING WHEN  
THEY ARE FULL!  
WE TAKE  
ANOTHER HELPING.



## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser



KEEP 'EM HERE, FOLEY!  
I WANT THE CHIEF TO  
SEE WHAT THEY  
DID!



THERE  
IT IS,  
CHIEF!

WELL, I'LL  
BE DAG-  
NABBED!!



NOW YOU KIDS BETTER START  
TALKING! I'M GETTING HOARSE...  
WILL YOU ANSWER  
MY QUESTIONS?



IT'S NOT HALLOWE'EN,  
OR APRIL FOOLS DAY, SO  
WHY DID YOU  
DO IT?



THEY SIMPLY WON'T  
OPEN THEIR  
MOUTHS!!

THAT WAGON MUST WEIGH  
TWO HUNDRED POUNDS.  
HOW IN BLAZES DID THEY  
GET IT UP THERE?



YOU TRY 'EM, KELLY! THEY  
MUSTA HAD HELP... THAT THING  
IS HEAVY AND THEY'RE  
JUST LITTLE SQUIRTS!

OKAY,  
CHIEF!



IF THEY WON'T TELL YOU  
HOW THEY DID IT, TRY  
AND FIND OUT  
WHY THEY  
DID IT!!



WELL... THEY  
FINALLY  
TALKED!

GOOD... GOOD!  
WHAT DID  
THEY  
SAY?



THEY SAID THEY PUT  
IT UP THERE IN A  
MOMENT OF  
**WEAKNESS!!**

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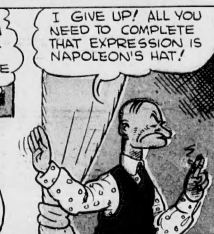
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